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State News Paragraphed.

All the Late News from Every Section of South Carolina.

John H. Willing of Greenwood will open a wholesale grocery store at Clinton.

The Recorder is the name of a weekly paper recently established at Ridgeway.

John E. Russel, aged 55 years, a prominent citizen of Darlington, is dead at his home.

The funeral of Judge J. H. Hudson was held in Bennettsville Saturday with masonic honors.

The capital stock of the Pacolet Manufacturing company has been increased from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

A steamship line between Charleston and Panama will be established this fall. Ships will sail every nine days.

Postmaster General Hitchcock will attend the convention of the postmasters of the state to be held in Columbia on Sept. 7.

Representative Ellerbe, who has been ill in Providence Hospital in Washington for two months with a broken limb, will be able to leave for his home at Sellers the latter part of this week.

The body of Capt. E. J. Jervey U. S. A., who died a few weeks ago at Manila, is expected to reach Columbia in a day or two. The young officer will be buried with military honors by a detail from Fort Moultrie.

The Southern Power Company is engaged in erecting steel towers between Spartanburg and its power plant at Ninety-Six Islands on Broad River and within less than two weeks time the towers of the power company will be erected in the suburbs of that city.

On August 31 and election will be held in Newberry county on the question of issuing \$300,000 worth of bonds for the purpose of building good roads, and the question is being pretty generally discussed pro and con. The consensus of opinion at present is that the bond issue will be defeated.

Robert R. Nix, son of Henry Nix, died Sunday afternoon at his home near Traveler's Rest. Mr. Nix was a good man, a good citizen and a consistent member of the Enoree Baptist church. Mr. Nix was fifty-two years old and had been sick for a long time. He leaves seven children and a wife to mourn his death.

A commission has been issued by the secretary of state to the Conastee Mill of Greenville county. The capital stock of the company is \$200,000. The petitioners of the company are W. E. Beattie, Ellison A. Smyth, L. W. Parker and Thomas I. Charles. They will operate the old Reedy River mills, which was sold at auction some time ago.

A suit against the city of Columbia for \$44,277.33 has been filed in the United States circuit court by the Georgia Engineering company, through their attorneys, Messrs. Thomas & Thomas and D. W. Robinson, growing out of an alleged contract made for the paving of Main street, Columbia, which contract the plaintiff claims was violated, causing a loss.

Little Albert James, the one year old son of Dr. F. G. James, of Greer, died Monday at 4 o'clock while playing out on the porch. The child found a box of morphine which his father is supposed to have dropped and like all children will, began eating it. When his mother came out she found her baby sitting there eating the deadly poison. She hurriedly called in physicians, but it was too late, for the little one had already gone into convulsions.

Two moonshine stills were destroyed in Greenville county by United States officers.

The town of Walterboro will issue bonds in the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of building a new school house.

Lightning struck a cedar tree in Laurens county, killed two cows, three birds and two chickens that had sought shelter during a thunder storm.

The Cook-Green Furniture company of Walterboro, has been chartered, the capital being \$3,000. W. S. Cook is president and E. D. Green, secretary and treasurer.

Six hundred bales of cotton were purchased in Cherokee county by agents for G. H. McFadden & Co. The price paid was 12 cents and the amount was about \$35,000.

Three negro preachers were lodged in jail in Greenville Saturday on the charge of disturbing religious worship. The trouble occurred over whose turn it was to preach.

The secretary of state has issued a charter to the Bank of Wagoner of Aiken county. The capital stock is \$10,000, and P. M. Gunter is president and E. B. Jackson secretary and treasurer.

According to an official order sent out by Governor Ansel all of the county dispensaries will close on August 2. The opinion of Attorney General Lyon is upheld, the opinion being mailed to the different county boards.

A commission has been issued the Dillon Manufacturing company, of Dillon. This concern having a capital of \$10,000, will manufacture coffins, brick, caskets, doors and sashes. The petitioners are T. A. Dillon and C. F. O'Farrell.

Mr. J. D. Nisbet of the Jacksonham section of Lancaster county, reports what appears to be the effects of the boll weevil's work in his cotton. He hasn't found any weevil's yet, but the damage to the cotton plants, he says, is exactly like that the pests are known to do.

George Myers, a state constable, was accidentally shot at 11 Society street in Charleston Sunday morning. He dropped his pistol to the floor, and it was discharged, the bullet entering his stomach. Myers was carried to the Roper hospital. It is feared the wound will prove fatal.

A special from Lexington says crops in that county are burning up for the want of rain. Cotton is suffering most and the crop will be a great deal shorter than last year. Everything has been put in excellent condition, and with rain in the next day or two there might be a considerable come-out in the younger crops.

Oscar Melton, an old negro man, was found dead in his field on Mr. Rose's farm near Florence Saturday. The old fellow left home Thursday afternoon to go and inspect his crop, but never returned. He was found next morning in the field dead. The coroner viewed the body and gave permission for burial, an inquest not being necessary.

Deputy Sheriff H. H. Lockhart, of Cherokee, arrested a negro named Alonzo Lockhart, who is charged with enticing laborers to leave the state in violation of the statute covering such cases, and took him before Magistrate Camp, who committed him to jail for trial one day this week in default of bond. Lockhart has retained counsel to represent him, and claims that he is not guilty of the offence charged against him.

The hotel Royal at Lancaster was damaged by fire Wednesday night.

In a drunken row among negroes at Florence, Charles Thomas was killed by Lewis Simmons.

J. B. Fuller, a well known citizen of Lexington died in Asheville, where he had gone for his health.

John Aiken, colored, has been arrested in Orangeburg on the charge of killing Mingo Johnston in Colleton.

The secretary of state has granted the Bank of Latta the right to increase its capital from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

Kess Thomas was shot and mortally wounded by Lewis Simmons—both colored—at a picnic in Florence county.

Cammon Speeks, colored, has been arrested in Lexington for the murder of a negro named Perry about four years ago.

Chester Kennedy is being tried at Barnwell for the second time on the charge of being implicated in the murder of Perry Ussery.

The authorities of Richland and Kershaw counties are preparing plans to build a first-class roadway between Camden and Columbia.

The first annual convention of the Palmetto State Stenographers' association will be held at the Atlantic Beach hotel, Sullivan's Island, August 6 and 7.

The Southern Power company is getting ready to run a line into Newberry at an early day, with the expectation of making contracts with some of the mills and other enterprises needing power.

H. L. McElree, a negro preacher of Spartanburg, was convicted in a magistrate's court on a charge of failure to give his mule food and water often enough and given a sentence of \$50 fine or 30 days on the chain-gang.

The friends of the Rev. George E. Davis, pastor of the Orangeburg Baptist church, will be pleased to learn that he is regarded out of danger from the recent severe and prolonged attack of typhoid fever, and that, barring unlooked for complications his entire recovery will be rapid.

What was going to be a fine fox chase in Chester was spoiled a few days ago by the interference of Mr. J. G. L. White, game warden. A fox had been secured when Mr. White got wind of what was going to happen and took a hand, ordering the animal to be released without a chase.

Mr. Alexander A. Stanton, one of Marlboro's oldest citizens, was found dead in his bed Tuesday morning. Mr. Stanton was seventy-seven years old and a Confederate veteran. He has been in feeble health for some time, but was not thought to be in a serious condition. He has been a sufferer for some time from rheumatism.

At Chester the Springtein Mill is changing this week from steam to electricity, and within two or three days, barring accidents, the entire machinery of the mill will be driven by electricity. Some of the motors were put into operation this morning and others are being started up as rapidly as possible. The Springtein will probably use, all told, about 600 or 750 horse power.

A member of the dispensary board of Fairfield county writes that he will not close the dispensary in that county after the 18th which is the day following the election but will keep the same open. This is contrary to the opinion rendered by the attorney general who says that the dispensary must remain closed until the election is declared. Some other county boards are said to be threatening the same thing.

The Lexington county fair will be held on October 26th, 27th and 28th.

H. B. Stringfellow, a farmer of Aiken county, dropped dead while ploughing.

Solicitor J. K. Henry of Chester will be in the race for congress from the Fifth district next year.

A charter has been granted to the Charleston Refinery company of Charleston. Capital \$100,000.

The plant of the Eddy Lake Lumber Company at Conway was destroyed by fire. Loss about \$60,000.

A charter has been granted to the Spartanburg Athletic association of Spartanburg. Capital \$2,500. The company will promote baseball and other amusements.

Senator B. R. Tillman has accepted an invitation to be present at and deliver a speech at the big rally of the Chester County Farmers' Union at Richburg on Tuesday, August 17.

The Southern Express company has notified the commission that they ordered an express office to be opened at Courteney near Seneca and that supplies for the office had been shipped.

Construction train are being operated on the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio road from Spartanburg to Pacolet river, the laying of rails having been completed to that point. At this point the trestle gang is at work erecting a splendid steel trestle supported by concrete piers, across the river. Just as soon as the trestle is completed track laying will be resumed to Broad river.

Alfred Jenkins colored, was convicted and sentenced to hang Tuesday in the Georgetown court on the charge of an attempted criminal assault upon a young woman several weeks ago. Gov. Ansel received a message Tuesday from there saying that the day passed off quietly without trouble. When the trouble occurred Jenkins was brought to Columbia for safe keeping. The execution will take place on August 13.

It may be the old granite walls of the state capitol or it may be that all are too busy to think of such trivial matters yet a young lady from the Piedmont section of the state remarked that she considered it a reflection on the state of South Carolina that there were so many bachelors and widowers in the capitol. An investigation reveals that there are no less than 17 bachelors and 14 young ladies who hold positions in the capitol.

The little mill town of Glendale, four miles from Spartanburg, was startled over a report that T. A. Lockman, married, and employed in store of the D. E. Converse company, and Miss Elise Phillips, a graduate of Limestone College, formerly employed as a bookkeeper in the store has eloped. The report is that Mrs. Lockman was on a visit to relatives in North Carolina and during her absence Lockman and Miss Phillips drove through the country from Pacolet and boarded a train for Columbia.

Mr. Solomon Hall who lives about two miles below Hartsville, committed suicide about noon by placing a single-barreled shotgun to his abdomen, leaning over it and pulling the trigger with his toe. Death was almost instantaneous. Mr. Hall was a man about 50 years old and a rather prosperous and hard-working farmer. He was of an erratic disposition and before this has given evidence of insanity. It is thought that the immediate cause of his rash deed was trouble and desperation over two of his daughters, who are hopelessly insane at the asylum in Columbia.

R. A. Coleman of Saluda, N. C., accidentally shot himself while shooting squirrels.

John Aiken, Jr., has been arrested at Walterboro on the charge of killing Mingo Jenkins.

A commission has been issued to the Fairfield News, of Ridgeway. The capital of the company is \$2,000.

A three-year-old child of Ed Ryan, colored, at Johnson was shot and killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Frank Miles, colored, aged 20 years.

Willie Bethune, sentenced to be hanged at Manning on Friday, has been reprieved by Governor Ansel until next March, when new trial will be asked for in the supreme court.

The investigation into conditions at the Hospital for the Insane was to have been resumed this week after a recess lasting several weeks. But the commission will not be called together at this time on account of unavoidable circumstances. A telegram from the chairman, Senator Neils Christenson, of Beaufort, announces that the inquiry will not be resumed until in the fall of the year as the stenographer has been unable to transcribe his notes.

At Greer it is stated that the new mill building will be completed by the first of September, when the work of installing the machinery will be taken up. President Robinson is quoted as saying the mill will be in operation by January 1 of next year. Approximately \$100,000 will be expended in construction the balance going for machinery and fixtures. The mill will be operated with electric power, furnished by the Southern power company, of Charlotte, N. C.

Harry Ellis, a black negro boy of about seventeen or eighteen years of age, was brought to Greenville Saturday night between twelve and one o'clock by Deputy Maddox of Grove township near Piedmont, about ten miles from the city. Ellis is charged with an attempt to ravish a young white girl of good family in that neighborhood. There was some talk of lynching the negro after the deed was committed, but the officers managed to get him to Greenville before the mob could get up courage to perform the deed.

State Superintendent of Education Swearingen has sent out two hundred educational campaign bulletins to each of the county superintendents of the state which are to be distributed at each of the meetings to be held in the different counties of the state during the month of August. It is only a few days until the campaign will commence. Announcement for all of the speakers who are to speak at the county meetings will be made within a few days. Over one hundred of the most prominent in the state in business, law teachers and college presidents have been secured by the committee to attend the county meetings and make addresses.

Louis Vanderford a white boy, 16 years of age, and a son of Ashmore Vanderford, a well known farmer, shot and killed himself near his father's house, in the Lockhart section of Union county at an early hour Monday morning. It appears that the young man was in good spirits and free from trouble. He wished to go to work on the public road, but his father refused to allow this and ordered him to go to school. At this the boy took a Winchester rifle from the house and went into some woods two or three hundred yards distance. The noise of a shot was soon heard from that direction, and on investigation, the body of the rash youth was found, death having been instantaneous.

Miss Clara Rush, died at Camden Monday after an illness of two months, from pellagra. There are several cases of pellagra in Kershaw county.

The Southern Power company is about ready to begin work on its big plant at Getty's Shoals, twelve miles above Camden, twenty-four miles below Great Falls, and twenty-one miles below the Rocky Creek works. The dam will be 110 feet in height and will back water to the Rock Creek dam, making a continuous lake of twenty-one miles in length. The Getty's Shoals plant is expected to furnish 100-000 power when completed.

It is announced that the capital stock of the Grendel Mills of Greenwood will be increased to half a million dollars, and that a new mill will be built. The new mill will have ten thousand spindles and two hundred and fifty looms. It will be located near town, the site, not having yet been determined upon. The Grendel Mill, under the presidency of Mr. A. Foster McKisick, have prospered well and the success of the new mill is assured under his management. He is also president of the Ninety-six Cotton Mill, one of the successful mills of the state. He is one of the leading mill men of the state, conservative yet progressive.

Reply to query from Dr. Ray Powers, state veterinarian. Attorney General Lyon has given an opinion in the matter of the railroads receiving into this state cattle for immediate slaughter. The opinion in that, under the provisions of the recent act of the legislature, this can be done. Attorney General Lyon points out that the act specifically sets out that cattle may not be received for work, feeding, breeding or dairy purposes that have not a certificate of inspection. Also that section 4 exempts all cattle, hogs and sheep shipped into points within the state where the United States department of agriculture has inspections of animals for slaughtering under the supervision of a graduated veterinarian of a recognized college.

On Sunday the eight year old daughter of C. Cook, a farmer living near Fort Mill, fell into a well 30 feet deep, containing eight feet of water, and walled with 18 inch terra cotta piping. A rope was quickly lowered and the child told to grasp it. This she did, but when drawn to within a few feet of the mouth of the well the child's strength failed and she fell to the bottom of the well a second time, but again rose to the surface of the water and grasped the rope. After the lapse of an hour or more the child was again persuaded to swing to the rope while her parents for the second time attempted to draw her from the well. Again, when almost within arms' reach of the parents, the child let go the rope and for the third time sank to the bottom, but fortunately rose to the surface of the water as formerly. The rope was again quickly lowered and once more was in the hands of the child. This time, however, the child could not for the third time, be induced to undertake the ascent—she was all but exhausted, but had sufficient strength left to hold to the rope and thereby save herself from drowning. Another hour passed and little hope of rescuing the child was left. Finally a pair of steelyards was secured and tied to the end of a second rope. This was lowered and the child told to fasten one of the hooks to her clothing. In this way she was at last rescued, after facing death for more than two hours. Monday morning the little girl was at play as usual, apparently little the worse for the harrowing experience of the afternoon before.

"Worked" On Sunday

Several white men in Greenville, calling themselves Adventists, and claiming Saturday as the Sabbath, have been arrested on a magistrate's warrant on the charge of working on Sunday, the work consisting in picking blackberries. They are to be tried soon.—McCormick Messenger.

Sweet Potato Crop

Mr. S. W. Draffin of the Santuc section, brought two good sized sweet potatoes of this year's crop to The Herald office last Saturday. They are the first of the new crop we have seen and were fine specimens. Mr. Draffin informs us that his potato crop is very good this year.—Rock Hill Herald.

To Travel in Europe.

Rev. Alex. R. Mitchel, rector of Christ's Church, has been granted a two months leave of absence by his vestry and will spend it in a visit abroad. He sailed from Philadelphia on the thirty-first of July. Mr. Mitchel will first visit relatives residing in Liverpool and later will travel over England, Scotland and Ireland. Before returning home he will visit a portion of the continent. His hosts of friends in the city will be delighted to learn that he has been able to make arrangements to take this pleasant vacation. Mr. Mitchel needed the rest and it has been well earned.—Greenville News.

Champion Snake Killer

John Stevens of this county, while out on his farm last week, came across a holic log that was alive with hiland moccasins. Not being a nature faker, Mr. Stevens has an aversion to moccasins, especially of the highland variety, and begun to do Macdough in good earnest. The more snakes he killed the more appeared, until in the final round up, in a swelter of perspiration, he counted thirty seven of the scaly reptiles dead on the field. Let it be said that Mr. Stevens is a sober man, and while St. Patric is not his particular patron saint, still he would like any aid available to rid his farm of moccasins.—Abbeville Press and Banner.

Good Roads in Chester.

There is no more vital subject than good roads, and the people of Chester county should arouse themselves to a realization of the fact. The county authorities may urge economy and this and that, but it is mighty poor sort of economy that allows splendid macadam roads to go to ruin for the lack of a little repairing and that lets other counties go ahead extending their systems of permanent roads in wholesale fashion while Chester is making practically no addition to the few miles of good roads that were built several years ago. The people should take up the subject and urge action. If public sentiment seems united on this proposition there will soon be some general action.—Chester Reporter.

Eat Southern Corn

Some surprise is expected in the Association Press at the discovery of several cases of pellagra in Chicago. It is not surprising at all. The Northwest is where one would expect to find it; that is if the Northwesters eat corn bread and hominy, for the Western corn is far inferior to the Southern product and is not as well cared for in gathering and housing—and damaged corn is said to be the cause of pellagra. If Southern people would confine their use of corn food to that of their own raising there would be little or no danger of pellagra with them. The disease comes from the soft, inferior and often damaged stuff that is shipped here.—Newberry Observer.